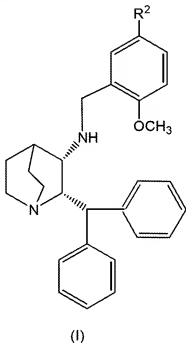


AMENDED CLAIMS

1-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) A method of improving anesthesia recovery comprising the step of administering to an animal in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition of a NK-1 receptor antagonist; where said NK-1 receptor antagonist is a compound of Formula I



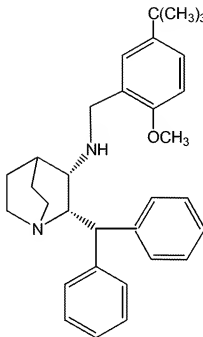
where R² is selected from the group consisting of methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, sec-butyl, and tert-butyl, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, a prodrug of said compound or said salt, or a solvate or hydrate of said compound, said salt or said prodrug.

12. (Withdrawn)

13. (Currently amended) The method according to Claim 11 where said improving anesthesia recovery comprises reducing A method of using an NK-1 receptor antagonist; a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, a prodrug of said compound or said salt, or a solvate or hydrate of said compound, said salt or said prodrug, for improving the quality of anesthetic recovery by reducing excessive vocalization and/or purposeless movement.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Currently amended) ~~A~~ The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim ~~44~~ 13 wherein said NK-1 receptor antagonist is a compound comprises of Formula Ia,



(1a)

~~(2S,3S)-2-benzhydryl-N-(5-tert-butyl-2-methoxybenzyl)quinuclidin-3-amine~~, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

16. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim 15 wherein said compound is the citrate salt of the compound of Formula Ia.

17. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim ~~42~~ 11 wherein said composition is parenterally, ~~enterally~~, or orally administered prior, during or after administration of general anesthesia.

18. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to Claim 17 wherein said composition is administered parenterally.

19. (Cancelled)
20. (Currently amended) The method ~~or use~~ according to claim 18 wherein the amount of the NK-1 antagonist is 0.01 mg/kg to 100 mg/kg of a an ~~patient's~~ animal's body weight.
21. (Cancelled)
- 22-24. (Withdrawn)
25. (New) The method according to claim 20 wherein said animal is a companion, food-source, or zoo animal.